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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION** Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Dieter BRUECKNER, Juergen SEITER and Michael TREMEI

A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITH AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

RATE DETERMINATION Assignee: SIEMENS AG

Our Ref. Q65749

Dear Sir:



Attached hereto is the application identified above including twenty (20) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and three (3) sheets of drawings. Also enclosed are an Information Disclosure Statement and the Priority Document. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE00/01499, filed May 12, 2000, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seg. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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\$908.00 TOTAL FEE

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$908.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from May 14, 1999 based on German Application No. DE 29908608.9. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

> Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC

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